



ABE W. TURNER

Abe W. Turner was born on April 26, 1893, to William L. and Jane Hatch Turner. He received his early education in the Heber City schools and the University of Utah, and graduated from Georgetown University in Washington, D. C., in 1916.

In 1917 he married Merline Roylance of Provo. They lived there until Abe's appointment to the Supreme Court. Abe was widely known in Utah legal and Church affairs. He was chairman of the Utah County Democratic party, was elected judge of the Fourth Judicial District and was appointed to the Utah State Supreme Court Justice from 1940 to 1946. At this time he moved to Salt Lake City.

Abe and Merline had two children, William R. and Dorothy.

Abe died on May 25, 1947, following a short illness.

JOHN MUIR TURNER

John Muir Turner was born December 27, 1877, at Heber, Wasatch County, Utah, son of John and Agnes Montgomery Turner. He was the eighth child of 12 children.

He received his education in a school-

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with farming and the cattle business. In the summer his father had a sawmill, and young John would work there also. Later on, his folks built a store and a theater and he helped by carrying the hod for the entire job.

As a boy he liked baseball and became a fairly good player. He later worked on the Ontario Drain Tunnel, where the Park Utah mine at Keetley now is.

In 1903, when the telephone exchange was built at Heber, he found a job constructing the lines. That same year he went to St. Louis, Missouri, to work, staying there until the fall of 1904. He went to the World's Fair several times and had the pleasure of showing friends and relatives from Heber around the fair.

When he arrived home from St. Louis he stayed but a short time. There was a gold rush at Goldfield, Nevada, and there was much excitement. So, with Joe Averett and Louis Jasperson, they rigged up a sheep wagon and a team of horses and set out to seek their fortunes. This trek required 23 days before Goldfield was reached.

While working there, his father died. However, he never received word of his death until about sixty days later, because he was out prospecting for gold. As soon as he was notified he made preparations to return home.

After his return home from Nevada he

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